

The Avalanche.

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POLITICAL AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The wheat crop of this year will from present appearances, equal that of 1881, which was 513,000,000 bushels. And the prospects are better for higher prices than they have been since that phenomenal crop.—*Blade*.

Decoration day was observed at Yokohama, China, by the decoration of the graves of the soldiers and sailors who were buried in the cemetery at that place. The Chinese did not object or even kick because they were not invited to participate in the services.

U. S. Grant Post, of Bay City, received sixteen additional headstones for the graves of deceased comrades. They require but ten more. What has been done by the committee that was appointed by Marvin Post to procure headstones for the graves of deceased soldiers in this country? Echo answers nothing!

They keep discovering bodies of victims of the Johnstown disaster. Last Monday seventeen bodies were recovered, but all so badly decomposed as to be beyond recognition and they were hastily buried. The latest estimate of the loss of life by the fearful disaster reduces the number lost, between 2,500 and 3,000, but even this is appalling.

The Free Press continues to discover serious objections to the administration's appointments. This is bad. But not so bad as if the appointments were, like some of Cleveland's, men who have served time in jails and prisons. Of course the Free Press doesn't agree with us on this point. It will have to tell the truth before it does that.—*Detroit Tribune*.

Two years ago Rhode Island adopted prohibition by a vote of less than two to one. Yesterday it repealed the amendment by a vote of more than three to one. High tax, license, legal option are the only methods of regulating the liquor traffic now practical or acceptable. But these the public will have and legislatures should govern themselves accordingly.—*Det. Journal*.

Postmaster General Wanamaker has issued an order to the effect that all male employees of the department who did not serve in the army or navy shall indicate that fact, and all honorably discharged sailors and soldiers shall indicate that, as well as all widows, sons and daughters of deceased soldiers and sailors. The scheme is to defeat the trickery of some employees who are posing as ex-soldiers.

The National encampment of the G. A. R. should be held in Detroit next year. Milwaukee will have it this year, and if proper work be done to bring it here in 1890 there is good reason to believe that it can be done. Let the veterans of the G. A. R. department of Michigan and the business men of Detroit take hold of the matter at once and we believe they will succeed.—*Detroit Tribune*.

We clip the following from the National *Traveller*, which we kindly recommend the editor of the *Democrat* to read and then make the necessary application: "The mean New York Times does not like the Postmaster-General, and it constantly alludes to him as the 'good Mr. Wanamaker' or 'the plow,' the 'devout,' or with some similar slur. A base hypocrite itself, it always is on the outlook to charge hypocrisy on some one else."

Fred trade is a sweet boon to the laboring men indeed! The committee of the English House of Lords, which is investigating the matter, has found in the district around Manchester, plenty of workmen whose earnings average \$10 a month, and who put in 18 hours a day. These figures are sworn to by the men themselves, before the committee, and they do not vary materially from the returns made by their employers.—*Blade*.

The investigation in the New York custom house by the civil service commissioners, lets in a flood of light on the hypocrisy of the late reform administration as favoring civil service reform. The evidence adduced shows that civil service was instituted by a most unscrupulous man, and that the alleged competitive examinations were nothing but sham and fraud. It was shown that officials connected with the custom house under the democratic administration of Collector Magone were guilty of speculating in the examination sheets, and all that was necessary was for an applicant to pay the price and the sheets with the questions and answers written out, were furnished. In fact a more rotten and corrupt condition, and all under the guise of civil service reform, could not be imagined. "Turn the rascals out!"—*Chicago Tribune*.

Grayling Graded School.

As some of our citizens seem not to understand the exact condition of our school district, the AVALANCHE will present a few facts and figures for their consideration.

It has been the aim of the School Board, since the organization of the district to make the Graded School, of Grayling, second to none in the State, and they have been fully sustained by a large majority of our people. The first work necessary to reach that result was proper grading of the pupils, which was begun by Prof. Hyde, and ably continued by Prof. Lankenau, some additions and changes having been introduced the past year by Prof. Cullum, until to-day the system is perhaps as perfect as any in the State. When the present building was erected, it was thought by many to be much larger than necessary, but the rapid growth of the village has exceeded the expectation of any, and the last year has developed the fact that more room was already absolutely required. The primary room has only seating room for one hundred pupils, and during this year has had an enrollment of one hundred and seventy-eight, compelling them to sit at times with three and four in a seat, and nearly doubling the grade work of the teachers, especially in the main room where the army of "little kids" were seated for study, while many of the classes were so large that the recitation room was crowded beyond all possibility of comfort, or profit to the pupils.

This condition was carefully considered by the Board, and the better way to remedy it. The first proposition presented to them was the feasibility of building a ward building on the south side for the accommodation of the little ones there, but a careful examination of the census, showed that there was not a sufficient number there of any two grades to employ a teacher or materially relieve the main building.

The next proposition was to build a separate primary building on one of the central school lots and the best mechanics of the place were called in consultation, and the plan finally adopted by the Board, and ratified by a large majority of the patrons of the school, was decided to be the most economical and for the best interest of the school; that is, to build an addition to the old house on the west side, entering from the same hallways and heating it from the same plant. It was estimated that it would cost \$1800.00 but that sum will more than cover it, leaving a surplus to assist in furnishing it. The new heating apparatus will cost about \$1000.00, but that was necessary, whether a new house was added or not, and the new rooms will not add \$100.00 to what would have been expended, while a separate building would have required another plant that would have cost \$600.00 or more.

We believe that when completed all will be fully satisfied that this is the better way and will be glad that the plan for perfect graded work is continued.

Mrs. Hayes, wife of ex-president R. B. Hayes, died at Fremont, Ohio, last Tuesday morning from a stroke of paralysis. A noble woman is gone, and it is well said, that the country is better from her having lived in it.

EDITOR AVALANCHE.—Please notice in your valuable paper, that there will be a "Grand Union School Picnic" in the Grove near the residence of H. S. Buck, in Maple Forest township on Thursday, July 4th 1889. A general and cordial invitation is extended to all the schools in the country to take part in the same. Teacher's will please be kind enough to have their schools prepared to take an active part. We trust we may see all the clergymen present. Everybody invited to come and please do not forget to bring your baskets.

By order of Committee.

The following letter from Rev. Webber, explains itself:

WEST BRANCA, June 24, '89.

EDITOR "AVALANCHE".—The citizens of West Branch will celebrate the Fourth of July, and we will on the same day lay the corner-stone of our new "St. Joseph's" church.

You would oblige me very much if you will be so kind as mention in your esteemed paper that we invite all friends to assist at the celebration and to patronize us on that day. The ladies of our congregation will serve meals at the Opera House during the whole day. Thanking you in advance, I remain, Yours Respectfully,

A. WEBBER.

Resolutions of Condolence.

WHEREAS Death has invaded our ranks and taken from us one who in life was a devoted member of our order, Therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. JAMES MILNER, the F. O. O. F. has lost an earnest supporter of its principles and a devoted member.

Resolved, That we extend to the children of the deceased brother our sincere and heartfelt sympathy, and that our charter be draped in mourning for the period of thirty days, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of the deceased, and that they be published in the local papers.

W. McCULLOUGH, Com.

WM. A. MASTERS, Sec.

Sadie Hyzer, the young girl who eloped from Samuel H. Edgumbe's house in Dearfield, says she is going to sue said Edgumbe for damages because he had her arrested for larceny when she had stolen nothing.—*Detroit News*.

A bear came out of the woods the other day and called at the residence of the editor of the Hillman Telegraph, but after he had searched the premises and found nothing but a dish of soft soap he turned up his nose and retired to the forest.

Geo. H. Bonnell, of Grayling, was in town Friday, delivering the maps of the village, for which he had previously received orders. They are very well gotten up and show up the different plots in good shape. Mr. Bonnell has already sold ten of them.—*West Branch Times*.



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Large audiences visited both performances of Howe's Great London Shows yesterday, and we have not heard of any who left the tents disappointed. The ring performance was a surprise to many, for it was really the most excellent that has ever visited our city. The proprietors are to be congratulated upon their modern ideas of the show business, and we sincerely trust their London shows will reap the golden harvest so surely deserved.—*Rocky Mountain News*.

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